IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Fe

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For: DETERGENT COMPOSITION

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Examiner: Brian P. Mruk

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 18, 2007, the time to reply to which is herein extended by one (1) month to August 18, 2007, effective August 20, 2007, the following is submitted.

The rejection of claims 1-3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *May et al* US 4,652,403 and *Kuzee et al* WO 99/64551 is maintained for the reasons of record. As a new ground for rejection, claims 4 and 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *May et al* US 4,652,403 in view of *Kuzee et al* WO 99/64551.

In support of the grounds of rejection, the Examiner contends that May et al disclose a laundry composition comprising 1-40% by wt. of a water-insoluble aliminosilicate and from 0.5-5% of an aminopoly (methylenephosphonate). The Examiner additionally refers to Examples 1-2 "which disclose laundry detergent bases that are free of oxygen bleaches".

May et al describe a typical zeolite built detergent composition for use, as illustrated, in conventional laundry application. The like zeolite built compositions require, for delivering effective